INTERFACILITY TRANSPORT TASK FORCE MINUTES

February 20, 2002 EMS Authority Sacramento

Attendees: David Nevins; Pam Griffith; Art Lathrop; Dan Burch; Bob Eisenman; Scott Wallace; Charles Rath; Don Stanley

Note: Membership information has been updated and attached.

EMSA Staff: Bonnie Sinz

Approval of October 30, 2001 Minutes

Minutes were approved as written.

Approval of Agenda

As the attendance was low, the agenda was modified to have the entire Task Force meet together rather than breaking into groups.

January 29th Conference Call Report

Bob and Bonnie gave a report on the conference call. Minutes were distributed prior to the meeting. Under "Next Steps" the following was discussed:

- Advanced Scope of Practice for ALS Paramedic IFT
 - ? Group 3 to develop guidelines/template for a standardized approach to to be presented to EMDAC for consideration

Assignments: Scott – Discuss with Joe Barger; develop discussion paper on the development of Paramedic Advanced SOP IFT guidelines for next EMDAC meeting (May 28). **Bonnie** – Discuss with Steve Tharratt

- ? Urban and rural issues same: availability of nurses, long transport times, concern of interference with 9-1-1 response availability.
- ? Currently, LEMSAs have intercounty agreements to address SOP when paramedics cross county lines for IFT.
- ? EOA issues surface when a provider crosses county lines to pick up patient and bring back over county line.
- ? What is the role of the LEMSA?

Assignments: Art – Draft regulatory language to address intercounty IFT issues

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- Need for information algorithm to teach facilities about available IFT resources with limitations.
 - **Assignments: Dan S.** Provide Kaiser's algorithm for request for transfer with levels identified. **David N.** Provide electronic copy of Alameda County/AMR program information for paramedic level IFTs send to Bonnie.
- Develop guidelines for facility 9-1-1 utilization (or "rapid IFT response request") and destination policies
 - ? LEMSAs need to work with providers and facilities to develop policy/procedure to avoid use of 9-1-1 when need for rapid IFT exists.

Assignments: Dan B.; Dan S.; David N. – Develop "concept paper" for Rapid IFT Request.

- - ? Response time requirements
 - ? System status management plan restrictions
 - ? Tiered response may free up ALS personnel
- Minimum Competencies for EMT- I, EMT-P and RN Draft discussed
 - ? Detailed discussion on EMT-P level training

Assignments: Scott – work with Marlene Rivers from Alameda County (Bonnie will contact) on revision of document.

Next Meeting Date/Location

Due to budget constraints, the next meeting will be at the EMS Authority May 21, 2002

10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.